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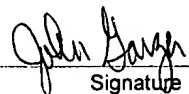
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**BOX PATENT APPLICATION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

RE: *U.S. Patent Application Entitled: COMPOSITE METAL-TO-METAL SEAL HAVING A RELATIVELY SOFT METAL OVERLAY AND A RELATIVELY HARD METAL CORE*  
*by Oran D. Tarlton*

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing are:

- (1) 27-page patent specification with 20 claims and an abstract (also Figures 1-8 on 8 sheets);
- (2) Declaration;
- (3) Assignment and Assignment Cover Sheet;
- (4) Information Disclosure Form PTO-1449 and a copy of each listed reference; and
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